I have been a teacher for over 25 years and my students have gone to very prestigious colleges. I do believe teachers as well as administrators need to be evaluated. But the process that is now being put into place is time consuming and cumbersome. It takes away from teaching time, lesson development, professional development and time teachers need to develop connection with their students. I agree that at times data collection can be helpful but not to the point of taking away from the students real needs. The process of this new teacher evaluation is more a burden on both teachers and administrators than helping anyone involved in education.

I feel that the Common Core should be slowly introduced into our schools. First starting with elementary schools to eventually over time
introducing it to middle and high schools. Plunging students into this type of testing will have more of a negative effect than a positive outcome.

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